



County of Placer

Fish and Game Commission

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District 1 – Don Gould

District 2 – Mark Fowler

District 3 – Jim Victorine

District 5 – Kari Freidig

District 5 – Mickey Daniels

District 5 – Scott Husmann

District 4 – Gary Flanagan

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, August 23, 2017, 6:00 P.M.

Placer County Planning Commission Hearing Room

3091 County Center Drive, Auburn, CA

County Contact: Ed King

1. **Call to Order** – Mark Fowler called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm
2. **Roll Call** – Present: Daniels, Fowler, Freidig, Gould, Husmann, Victorine
Absent: Flanagan

Members of the Public attending: Tom Rappe, Bob Johnson, William Wauters

3. **Approval of August 23, 2017 Agenda & July 26, 2017 Minutes**

Agenda: Daniels/Husmann/MPUV

Minutes: Freidig/Fowler/MPUV

4. **Public Comment:** Individuals may address the Commission on items under the jurisdiction of the Fish and Game Commission not included on this agenda for no longer than five (5) minutes. **No action can be taken on items addressed under Public Comment.**

Bob Johnson, SARSAS Citizen Science Coordinator, reported on use of grants funds for water testing. They would like to move to professional grade equipment and add other high schools; Del Oro is the most recent one to participate.

5. **Financial Report**

No expenditures or revenues were recorded in July. Final totals for FY 2016-17 include expenditures of \$10,867 (\$11,190 budgeted) and revenues of \$6,999 (\$11,200 budgeted). Court fines totaled \$574 and penalty assessments totaled \$344.

6. **Agency Reports:**

A. Commissioner Reports – Freidig reminded the commission that they need to determine which two months they will not meet between July 2017 and June 2018. Fowler mentioned that he had contact from the Nevada County Fish and Wildlife Commission asking about possibly cooperating and using fine revenues to support fishery restoration in Van Norden meadow.

B. State Fish & Game Commission Subcommittee: Fowler reported he attended the graduation ceremony on August 11th, in Paradise where the Fish and Wildlife law enforcement academy graduated thirty new game wardens.

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Eighteen have already been assigned positions around the state.

C. Land Use Subcommittee: Scott Husmann, Don Gould – Hussman reported:

Five applications have been forwarded to the Commission for review.

- 1) Lakeside Redevelopment – revival of properties (old hotels) in Kings Beach were of interest, and will be developed into a sports, dining and residential complex, and will meet compliance with run-off requirements.
- 2) Gas Station off of Hwy 65
- 3) Colina Estates – subdivision of 5 acre parcel
- 4) Subdivision off of Placer Hills Road
- 5) Squaw Valley Timberline Twister: roller coaster to run along ski run in Squaw Valley---in the summer time.

D. Department of Fish & Wildlife – no report

E. Nevada Irrigation District and Placer County Water Agency

NID: Storage as of August 16, 2017 was 223,638 AF; 84% of capacity; 116% of average for this date. There is no recorded precipitation and all campgrounds are open at this time.

PCWA: French Meadows: 75% capacity; ~5,236'; ~101,000 ac ft

Hell Hole: 75% capacity; 156,000 ac ft

Middle Fork American blw Oxbow/Ralston: 800-1,100 cfs

Folsom: ~450'; ~807,000 ac ft; ~3,500 cfs in lower American River

Reconstruction of damaged roads throughout the watershed will start after Labor Day. Whitewater boating below Oxbow is in full-swing through mid-September.

7. Informational Item:

Overview of Placer County's Water Supply: Looking Towards the Future

Presenter: Brian Rickards, Associate Engineer, Planning Sector, Technical Services, Placer County Water Agency, and Brett Storey, Placer County liaison with PCWA.

Water supply and long term planning. Service area is Placer County: Alta to Baseline/ Riolo, western boundary of Placer County. They service 100,000 treated water customers and 50,000 wholesale water customers. They manage 8 water treatment plants (86 million gallons of treatment per day), 600 miles of pipe, 25 storage tanks, 9 reservoirs, 165 miles of canal with 4100 canal customers. They are seeing about 3% annual growth and so are planning accordingly.

PCWA provides an urban water management plan that is updated every five years to look at existing and projected water demands. The next one is due in 2021.

Supply Assessment – 6 sources of water, Middle Fork Project (120,000 acre feet) CVP contract rights water (32,000 acre feet), PG&E Agreements (110,400 acre feet – main source of water for treated water customers), Pre-1914 Agreement (3,400 acre feet) Recycled water (8,000 acre feet) and ground water which is not typically used, but would be in an emergency.

Demand Forecasting; look at community plans to assess. Right now they have Auburn, Bowman, Foothill, and Sunset water treatment plants that are handling all existing needs.

Supply and Demand Integration – Use assumed build-out customer reductions in drought conditions. During the drought many customers voluntarily reduced usage (through governor's edict) and demand was less than supply in 2015. New water treatment plants planned for bid in 2018 west of Highway 65.

Groundwater monitoring program ongoing. Sacramento River diversion is planned to supply western Placer County's new growth. Brett Story mentioned that the use of wells by PCWA in Lincoln and Sheridan are only used in case of a drought.....for emergencies. They will monitor and re-charge the underground supply if necessary. Placer County is currently under compliance with this program. They need to assure that all agricultural needs are met.

Recycled Water. City of Roseville actually treats water that they put back into the ground.....has to be cleaner than when extracted. Federal government only wants to give out short-term agreements for water from Folsom Lake now....no more 50 year agreements. Tony Firenzi from PCWA also commented – water rights are always being re-negotiated – except for American River Middle Fork Project. Are the Twin Tunnels affecting the water rights issue for Placer County? No – because no direct nexus with water rights. The issue Placer County Water Agency has is the condition of the Delta during and after this project. Delta water quality may become a Northern California reservoir problem because Northern California would have to provide the water to flush the Delta because of the loss of water via the Sacramento River. PCWA would like agreements that the State would not de-water the reservoirs to provide for Delta water quality.

Capital Infrastructure Plan

Additional Planning Efforts. PCWA has plans to mitigate all of their projects, maintenance and capital infrastructure plans. They seeking additional water supplies, i.e. Sacramento River diversion and recycled water (Lincoln and Roseville water treatment plants). PCWA will be a retail water purveyor (from recycled water)

by 2025 with 9,000 acre feet. They are involved with 22 other water agencies to do inter-ties, water contracts, etc. to be able to help each other. PCWA has great, reliable water sources. There is more need than supply for recycled water – especially for agricultural use. There is government funding for salt-water conversion State-wide, but not in practical in Placer County.

William Wauters from audience had questions regarding water issues with South Sutter Water District and NID related to the proposed Centennial Reservoir project and ability of Camp Far West to continue to provide ground water re-charge. Brett Storey replied that NID filed for water rights before conducting Centennial environmental reviews. Placer County has sued to stop the water rights approval until the Centennial EIR is completed and evaluated. Typically for similar projects environmental reviews are completed before water rights transfers are applied for. Wildlife assessment is always a consideration with any project and is included in the EIR.

Sacramento County, Sacramento City, Sutter County and Placer County will all help to develop the Regional Water Treatment Plant off the Sacramento River. The Ophir treatment plant will be the main treatment plant to handle the new Placer Ranch and University growth in west Placer.

8. Adjournment

There is a consensus to change the November meeting to November 15th, and not to meet in December.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.